

FISCAL NOTE

SB 3017 - HB 2906

February 23, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Specifies that the determination by the U.S. Veteran's Administration (V.A.) whether a veteran's disability is service-connected and combat-related is rebuttably presumed to be correct when determining if the person is eligible for the property tax relief program as a disabled veteran.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Less than \$100,000

Assumes:

- there were 54 veterans disapproved last year for property tax relief based on reviews made by the V.A.
- no more than 1/3 of these would contest the review to the state and few of these would successfully gain property tax relief program eligibility resulting in increased state expenditures of approximately \$1,020 per veteran.
- the additional costs to the state for administrative and legal expenses to gain access to, investigate, or audit the records of the V.A. could total up to \$50,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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